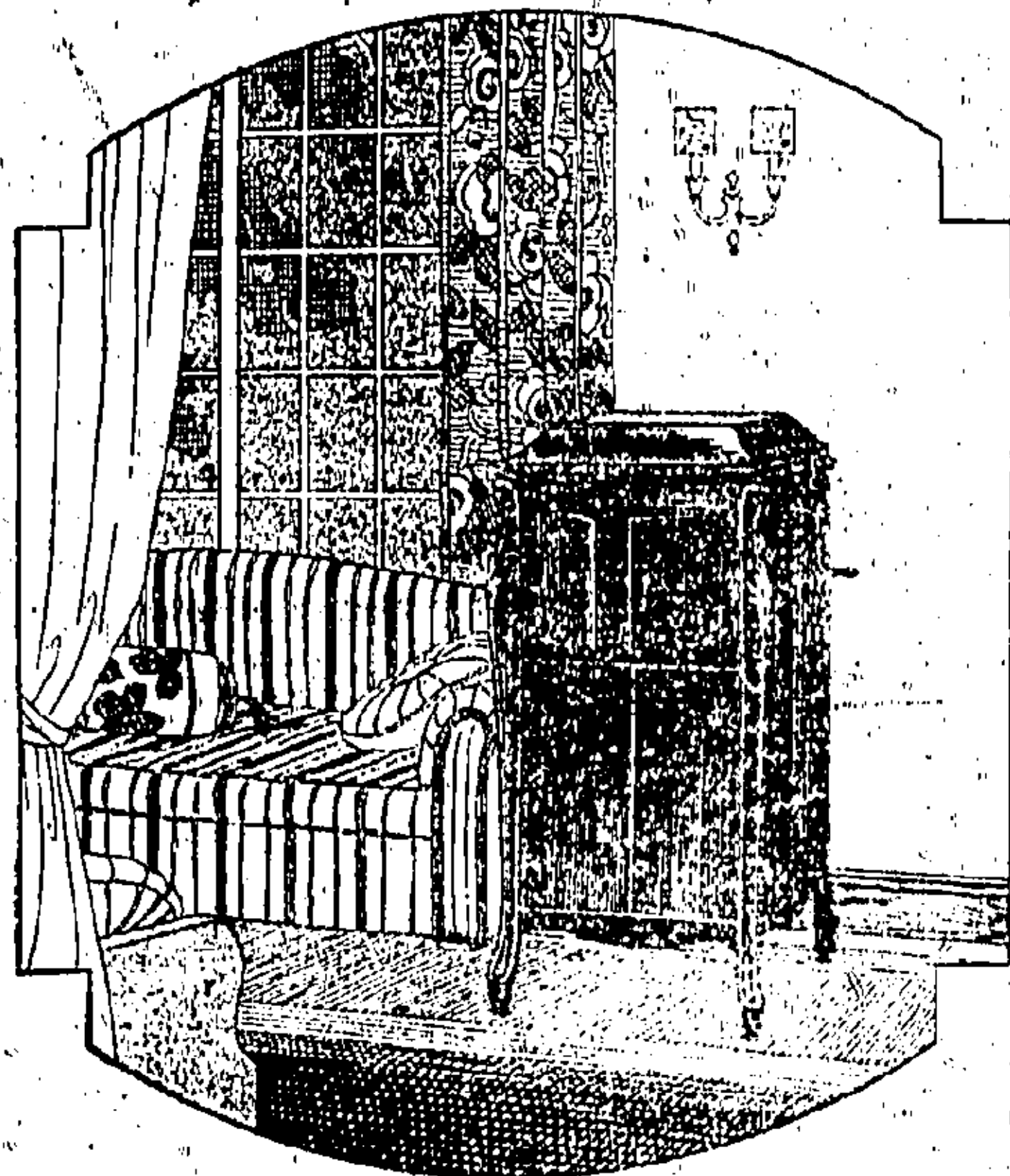


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BRITAIN'S REFUSAL TO JOIN.

FRENCH SUPPORT OF ATTITUDE.

QUESTION OF BRITISH DOMINIONS.

(Reuter's Service.)

PARIS, July 21.

The organ of the Left, "L'Ere Nouvelle," defending Britain's refusal to join the League pact of mutual assistance, says Frenchmen forget that nowadays Britain depends on her Dominions as much as—perhaps more than—the Dominions depend on Britain.

PEACE IN PACIFIC.

It is just as important to Britain to assure peace in the Pacific as in Europe. The possibility of a conflict between the United States and Japan looms on the horizon and it is impossible for Australia—therefore for Britain—to remain indifferent thereto. The League's draft pact in no wise assures peace in the Pacific because the United States refuse to adhere. If Britain accepted the pact, she would be giving Japan purely a one-sided assurance.

[Note: In the above connection, a London message of July 2, read:

Several questions were put to Mr. Ramsay MacDonald in the House of Commons with regard to the draft treaty of mutual assistance, circulated by the League of Nations. The Premier replied that Government was not yet able to state its attitude. This was partly because it still was consulting the Dominions. He was in no wise convinced that the effect of such a treaty would not be to increase armaments. He should like to get more information on this very important point. He anyhow was convinced that this method was not the only one. He doubted if it was the best method of approaching it. He hoped to make a statement before the Summer adjournment.]

OLYMPIAD.

FURTHER AMERICAN SUCCESSES.

LIVELY TENNIS DISPLAY.

(Reuter's Service.)

PARIS, July 21.

At the Olympiad to-day, in the men's doubles tennis finals, Hunter and Richards (U.S.A.) defeated Brugnon and Cochet (France).

The score was 4-6, 6-2, 6-3, 2-6, 6-3.

A GREAT STRUGGLE.

The atmosphere was close and the sky overcast. The game began listlessly. Periods of baseline play were broken by occasional rallies and excursions to the net which made the game more lively. In the third set, Cochet was responsible for some brilliant smashes and Richards throughout the set served brilliantly. In the fourth set he dominated the play, although the irresistible playing of Cochet frequently caught the Americans out of position and lost them the set.

The Americans, by steady and determined pressure, took the final set by 6-3.

In the final of the mixed doubles, Williams and Miss Wightman defeated Richards and Miss Jessup by 6-2, 6-5. Each pair was representing the United States.

In the play-off for third place between the men's doubles beaten semi-finalists, Borotra and La Coste (France) defeated Condon and Richardson (South Africa) by 6-3, 10-8, 6-3.

FINAL PLACINGS.

The final placings in the Olympic Lawn Tennis Tournament follow:

America	55 points.
France	28 points.
Britain	16 points.
Italy	4 points.
Holland	4 points.
South Africa	3 points.

REBELLION RECALLED.

GENERAL MARITZ RELEASED.

ACTION OF NEW GOVERNMENT.

(Reuter's Service.)

CAPE TOWN, July 21.

The new Government has released General Maritz, the former Boer commander who on April 23 was charged with high treason in connection with the rebellion of 1914 and sentenced to three years' imprisonment.

The Judge, in passing sentence, said the lightness of the sentence was due to accused's sufferings during his years of exile while fellow offenders had been released after a short period of imprisonment.

OBITUARY.

DR. CHARLES KENYON.

OLD CHINA HAND PASSES.

(Reuter's Service.)

LONDON, July 21.

The death has taken place of Dr. Charles Kenyon. For many years Dr. Kenyon was a Wesleyan medical missionary in China.

[Note: Local Wesleyan circles know nothing about Dr. Kenyon. Many years ago there was a Dr. Wenyon in the Far East who was one of the founders of the Wesleyan Mission in South China. It is feared that the message may refer to him—Editor "China Mail."]

THORNY PROBLEM.

RUHR RAILWAYS.

(Reuter's Service.)

LONDON, July 21.

The question of the Ruhr railways is proving a thorny problem at the conference of the sub-committee. There is reason to believe that the matter will probably be referred back to the whole conference.

HISTORIC GATHERING.

AMERICAN LAWYERS WELCOMED.

GALAXY OF ORATORY.

"AT THE OLD HOME FIRESIDE."

(Reuter's Service.)

LONDON, July 21.

There was an historic gathering in Westminster Hall on the occasion of the official welcome to the American Bar Association.

The ceremony was most impressive. It began with a procession of twenty-six Law Lords and Judges, headed by Viscount Haldane, the Lord Chancellor, resplendent in their scarlet and ermine robes of office.

After they had taken their seats on the dais, in response to the summons of Lord Haldane, the Attorney-General, Mr. Patrick Hastings, K.C., presented the guests in befitting manner.

SPEECH OF WELCOME.

The Lord Chancellor delivered a fine speech of welcome in which he recalled some of the great legal figures of the past, who had sat in that Hall.

Mr. Charles Evans Hughes, President of the American Bar Association, replied in a great oratorical effort. He concluded with these words: "Here we sit together at the fireside in the old Home of Justice."

Judge Arthur Eugene Sutherland also replied on behalf of the visitors.

The ceremony concluded with a procession of Judges.

PILGRIMS GIVE DINNER.

Mr. Hughes, United States Secretary of State, was the guest at dinner to-night of the Pilgrims of Great Britain at the Hotel Victoria. The Duke of Connaught presided and among those present were the Prince of Wales, members of the Cabinet and many notables from Home and Overseas. In proposing the health of the guest of the evening, the chairman said they appreciated in the highest sense the services Mr. Hughes had rendered to the world and mankind by the generous manner he always regarded different important questions. His presence in London at the moment was of the greatest importance. There was already a warm feeling for America on England's part and anything which tended to promote such feelings must be of lasting interest to the world at large.

In supporting the Chairman's views, the Prince of Wales said he hoped to revisit the United States in the Autumn.

MR. HUGHES REPLIES.

Mr. Hughes, replying, said America could be counted upon as a non-aggressive power, devoted to the interests of peace. Americans believed the Dawes' plan opened a path to confidence and prosperity, therefore they were deeply interested in its prompt execution.

INDIAN SITUATION.

QUESTIONS IN LORDS.

THE LEE REPORT.

LONDON, July 21.

The House of Lords debated the Indian situation on the initiative of Lord Peel who asked a full Government statement on its policy. He especially drew attention to the general constitutional situation and the question of applying the report of the Lee Commission in dealing with the acceleration of the Indianisation of some services, the provincialisation of other services and the improvement in financial conditions, security and tenure of European Civil Servants in India whose recruitment in Britain had recently been becoming difficult.

THE REPLY.

Lord Olivier, replying, declared that owing to the magnitude of the issues involved it was impossible to pass judgment on the Lee recommendations within such a short period. Meantime he sympathised with the claims of the Civil Service and declared recruiting in Britain for certain services had been temporarily suspended under recommendations of the Lee Report, but British recruiting for pivotal services was being continued. There was no fear of not being able to get sufficient applicants for the latter. As regards constitutional reform, Lord Olivier declined to prejudge the Report of the Committee, which at present was exhaustively exploring the situation.

HOUSING BILL.

GOVERNMENT IS AGAIN DEFEATED.

TOTAL REACHES TEN.

(Reuter's Service.)

LONDON, July 21.

Government's score of defeats totals ten after the passage of two adverse votes in the committee stage of the Housing Bill in the House of Commons. Firstly a Liberal amendment was passed by 201/155; secondly a Labour amendment, which the Government had accepted, was rejected by 137/119. In both cases, however, Mr. John Wheatley, Minister of Health, accepted the decision of the House. In the course of the debate, Mr. Wheatley made the surprising announcement of virtual agreement with the Builders' Unions regarding provision of skilled workers. He outlined a scheme of a speeding-up process of apprenticeship by the enlistment of assistance from Technical Schools, evening classes and also the promotion of semi-skilled labourers.

FEDERATED MALAY STATES.

SECOND CHINESE FOR COUNCIL.

(Reuter's Service.)

LONDON, July 21.

In reply to Mr. J. W. Darnley in the House of Commons, the Rt. Hon. Mr. J. H. Thomas, Minister for the Colonies, said that the nomination of a second Chinese to be a member of the Federal Council of the Malay States would be made without delay.

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Signor Mussolini, says a Rome
message of June 7, delivered his
first speech in the present Parlia-
ment, closing the debate in reply
to the speech from the Throne.
He said:—

"I knew in advance what the
various speakers would say. I
knew that some would say that
Italy was a flower garden, and
that others would refer to a reign
of slavery and terror. Liberty is
a matter which has exercised the
Opposition, especially the Com-
munists. You ask me to define
my conception of the State. Be-
fore defining the State, I prefer
to give it life. In reply to those
who ask for a return to normal
conditions, I ask: What is your
conception of normal conditions?
Is it a Chamber where one section
assaults another? If so, I do not
intend to return to normal con-
ditions. The Opposition says that
the majority of the Chamber is not
well chosen. I will choose a
majority myself. The experience
of these early days in the Chamber
will enable me to choose what men
are capable of actually serving
and who are merely capable of
being figureheads.

"For the benefit of those who
reproach me for my attitude
towards the League of Nations, I
repeat that I desire the League to
become nearer and nearer to per-
fection. The League has to-day
the gravest problems to settle,
including the financial reconstruction
of Austria and Hungary. Decidedly
we must remain in the League.
With reference to Parliament re-
summing its full functions, I give an
absolute assurance that the period
of Royal decrees will cease. It is
necessary for the Opposition to
take a definite line: for an Op-
position cannot remain absent. If
you expect a miracle it will not
come.

All the members of the majority
leaped to their feet, applauding
Signor Mussolini's speech, and the
Chamber passed a vote of confi-
dence in the Government by 361
votes to 170.

Steamer Ashore.

The stranding on June 7 of the
steamer "Peel Castle" right in
the centre of Douglas Bay, almost
opposite the Palace, occasioned
great excitement, and as soon as
the news became known thousands
of people congregated along the
shore to see the unusual spectacle.

The sea was perfectly calm, and
the vessel could hardly have found
a more comfortable landing in
which to lie. One or two hundred
yards further north there was a
ridge of low rocks, which would
have been awkward for the ship.
When the "Peel Castle" went
ashore in dense mist at five-forty,
she was steaming very slowly.
The fog horn on Douglas Head
was sounding, but there were no
gun signals, as is usual in such
circumstances.

Very little alarm seemed to pre-
vail. The passengers, of whom
there were four hundred on board,
spent the forenoon strolling about
the deck or leaning over the rail to
watch the shore, which was so
near and yet unattainable. By
nine o'clock the mist had cleared
away, and all eyes were fixed on
the flow, all eyes were fixed on
the imprisoned steamer.

The little "Fenella," which had
crossed from Liverpool almost at
the same time as the "Peel Castle,"
now took up her position a
cable's length away. She threw
out her anchor and sent a tow
rope on board. Later on, when
the tide had made half way, the
"Fenella" began to tow, and at
ten minutes past one the "Peel
Castle" began to slide slowly and
gradually off her sandy bed.
When fully clear the "Fenella"
cast her off, and the "Peel Castle"
made her way under her own
steam to Douglas Inner Har-
bour, where the passengers were
safely landed.

The Rose-Bed City.

One of the most interesting
passages in Mr. Harry Charles
Luke's "Anatolica," a miscellany
of the Near East, which he learnt
to know and revere when Assistant
Governor of Jerusalem, is his
account of Petra, a city made
famous by a simply line—"A rose-
red city half as old as Time." It
had been inclined to discount the
description I had read of the
colouring of Petra," he writes, "but
when I saw it I realised that the half
had not been told me. In places
the stone is of a single colour; in
others it is streaked with the most
diverse hues. The prevalent
colour of the sandstone is red, but
red of an infinite variety. Its least
lovely shade is that of the homely
carbolic powder; more frequently
it has the appearance of exuding
blood, or of a white chalk cliff over
which there has been emptied an
immense bottle of red ink." At
another point "the rock has caught
and held the tender hues of rosy-
fingered dawn, of the fleeting
Alpenglücken of sunset on the
snows. Elsewhere are bands of
lapis-lazuli blue, of the purple of
porphyry, of the intense yellow of
saffron."

**Lord Balfour and the "Great
Dipper."**

Visitors to Wembley return with
lured and often alarming accounts
of the "Great Dipper" and its
terrifying ups and downs. There is
however, of one impressive
exception (says a "Daily News"
writer). Lord Balfour, when he
visited the Exhibition a few days
ago, not only went on the "Great
Dipper," but so enjoyed it that he
is advising everyone he meets to
try it. Which is somewhat strik-
ing, seeing that he will celebrate
his 70th birthday in a week or
two!

Mr. Kipling's Daughter.

The engagement was announced
of Captain George Cambridge,
M.C., to Miss Elsie Kipling, the
only surviving child of Mr. and
Mrs. Rudyard Kipling. Captain
Cambridge was formerly of the
Irish Guards, and is at present
attached at the British Embassy in
Spain. It was with the Irish Guards
that Mr. Kipling's son was serving
when he was killed at Loos (the
"Daily News" reminds us). This
cruel loss was the great tragedy of
Mr. Kipling's life, and one of his
latest books was the history of the
Irish Guards in the Great War.

Rose Day Drive.

Now that Queen Alexandra has
definitely stated that she can-
not make her accustomed drive
through the City and West End on
Alexandra Day, there is consider-
able interest as to who will take
her place. So far as one can gather,
points out the "Daily News," this
charming office will be carried out
by Queen Mary or the Duchess of
York; but the public would like
them both—Newsman.

Mr. MacDonald Unbends.

The Prime Minister is looking
uncommonly well these days, and
seems pleased with himself (says
the "Evening Standard"). The social
life, to which, for the first time in
his career he has yielded himself,
is having its inevitable effect. It is
softening his seriousness, and mak-
ing him more into a man of the
world.

About Grey Hair.

Grey hair is definitely fashion-
able, sincerely admired (says a
"Daily Chronicle" writer). The
only woman who fails with grey
hair is the one who cannot admire
her own. Her unhappy attitude
towards Nature's caprice will show
in her expression, in the way she
dresses, and in her attitude
towards life. If she takes the line,
"Oh, I am grey-haired; I am
getting old. I may as well be
dowdy and prim now. No man
ever looks with the slightest in-
terest at a grey-haired woman.
Children can't bear their mothers
to go grey..." and so on, all these
undesirable things are likely to
happen. But if she looks in her
glass and laughs; dresses her hair
perfectly in the way that suits her
best; wears smart hats and frocks
with youthful lines, why, she can
snap her fingers at Nature's little
joke. She can derive piquancy
from her very misfortune. Her
colours must be the deep, bright
ones, orange, jade, lovely blues.
Drab fawns and slate greys, unfor-
tunately so much approved of by
many women in the late thirties
and early forties, are all wrong
with hair that is silvery. Con-
trast must be achieved.

The Use of A Snowflake.

Nature is the greatest of all
artists, and after three or four
thousand years man finds he can
do nothing better than copy her
designs if he would produce the
most beautiful things. The latest
example of this is in the use of
snowflakes in the production of
glass and jewellery (according to the
"Children's Newspaper"). The snow-
flakes, which are enormously
varied in construction and pattern,
are photographed through the
microscope, and then from the
pictures artists make up new
patterns for the lace makers and
jewellers to work upon. Wallpaper
designers, too, and producers of
silk fabrics have begun to use the
snow crystals as a basis for
their patterns, and even pastry-
cooks and chefs have bought
micro-photographs of snow
crystal to help them in
designing beautiful decorations.
One photographer, who works for
the artists in various industries,
has taken 400 photographs of
snowflakes, and some falls of
snow have yielded fifty different
designs. The flakes are magnified
from 64 to 4000 times. It is a
remarkable thought that a little
moisture passing through the cold
winter air and falling to the earth
should provide suggestions and
ideas for the production of be-
autiful clothes and ornament and
foods.

A House 170 Years Old.

In addition to valuable in-
scriptions excavators have lately made
discoveries throwing light on the
story of Palmyra, the ancient
city of Northern Syria. In the
remains of a house of the second
century after Christ were found
floral decorations in painted plaster,
statuettes of men and animals, a
head of a god, several masks,
lamps, and a column with a fine
sculptured relief.

A Solitary Bee.

Honey bees have been known to
make their hives in homes made
with hands, notably in Bedwyn
Church tower, Wiltshire, but a
case of the humble bee doing the
same is rare. At the present time,
in an occupied bedroom at the
Anchor Hotel, Shepperton, a
humble bee (*Bombus lapidarius*)
has a nest behind the skirting
board next the chimney (points out
the "Morning Post"). It enters
the room through the open
window, drops to the floor, walks
straight to the opposite side of the
room, turns to the left, and follows
the wall round till it comes to the
entrance of its nest, which is in
the darkest corner. It never varies
this method of coming home, but
on leaving the hole rises, buzzing
from the ground, and flies straight
out of the window. Although one
of the "social bees," this specimen
is a "solitary." It is the bee that
breeds in clay walls," of Isaac
Walton.

The Lone Scouts.

The Girl Scouts of America
have found a new and up-to-date
way of communicating with their
Lone Scouts. They use wireless
(says the "Children's Newspaper").
Any girl who lives too far from a
town, and has no chance of joining
a Girl Scout company, can become
a Lone Scout. She belongs to a
Lone patrol, and her captain used
to direct her Scout work by means
of correspondence. Now every
Lone Scout is encouraged to make
her own wireless receiving set.
One day a week, a Lone Scout
meeting is held. Talks on Girl
Scout work and news are broad-
cast from Philadelphia by one of
the Lone Captains, and hundreds
of Lone Scouts all over the country
listen-in. The girls find this way
of communication much more
interesting and helpful than
letters.

Who Is It?

I have seen some cryptic dedica-
tions, remarks an "Evening Stan-
dard" writer, but never one more
puzzling than that placed by Mr.
Maurice Baring on the fly leaf of
his biographical novel, "C" just
published. It reads:—

To
D. & K.

Who is the algebraic dedicatee?

The Royal Antiquary.
Prince Henry has distinct literary
and antiquarian interests, points
out the London "Evening News."
He has interested himself particu-
larly concerning Deal, and has
even patronised Alderman Chap-
man's book, "The Story of Deal,"
which puts forward the claim of
Deal to be the birthplace of Ro-
mano-British civilisation. Deal,
anyhow, remains as likely a place
as any to reveal ere long highly
valuable Roman remains.

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NOTICE OF CALL.

Issue of 49,000 Shares of the
Nominal Value of \$10 each,
(\$5 paid up)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that the 3rd Call of \$2.50 per
Share on each of the 49,000 shares
allotted on the 19th day of May,
1923, has been made by the Company,
and that such call will be payable to
the Company's Bankers, The
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking
Corporation, in Hongkong, on or
before the 15th day of August 1924.
The Transfer Books of the Company
will be closed from the 7th to
14th August 1924, both days
inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
A. H. ROWE,
Managing Director.

Dated this 19th day of July 1924.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
LIMITED.

TICKETS will be issued for
Round Trips during the
months of July to September, from
Hongkong to Foochow (Pagoda
Anchorage) and return, calling at
Swatow and Amoy on both the
upward and downward Voyage,
by the Company's new, fast, well
appointed steamer "Hail Ning" at
the reduced rate of \$80 for the
round Voyage, including Meals
while the steamer is in port.

These Special Tickets will be
available for return only by this
steamer, either by the Voyage for
which it is issued or by her
following sailing from Foochow.

Duration of stay at Foochow 48
hours.

The Trip occupies 8 to 9 days
and the steamer will leave
Hongkong from the Company's
Wharf at 5 p.m. arriving at
daylight on her return (Weather
permitting).

The Company's Steam Launch
will convey passengers from
Pagoda Anchorage to "Foochow
City," if required.

For further particulars and
dates of sailing—
Apply to
DOUGLAS-LAPRAIK & CO.
General Managers,
DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP CO. LD.
Hongkong, June 17, 1924.

HONGKONG TRAMWAYS LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

AN INTERIM DIVIDEND of
seventy five cents per share
has been declared and will be
payable on and after WEDNES-
DAY, the 20th August, when
Dividend Warrants may be
obtained upon application at the
offices of the Company.

The Share Registers of the
Company will be closed from
Wednesday, 6th August, to
Tuesday, 19th August, 1924, both
days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
W. E. ROBERTS,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 21st July, 1924.

THE HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

MEMBERS are hereby notified that
the lists for next season's sub-
scription griffins will close on the
31st July.

Hongkong, 8th July, 1924

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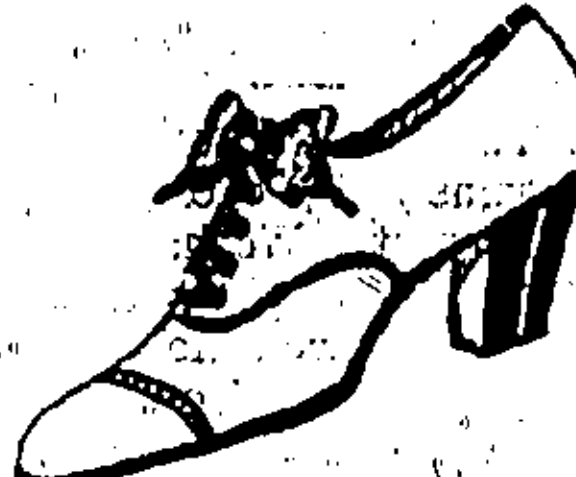
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rooms on Ground and first
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Offices. Rent moderate. Apply—
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INTIMATIONS.

NOTICE.

WE have this Day admitted
Mr. THOMAS GARNER
PATERSON as a Partner in our Firm.
The business will be carried on as
heretofore under the firm name of
Anderson and Ashe.

ANDERSON & ASHE.
Hongkong, 14th July, 1924.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

WE have removed our Hong-
kong Store to our Kowloon
Branch, No. 84 Nathan Road.

Customers are kindly requested
to communicate for their require-
ments at our new address where
accounts will also be received and
paid.

CASSUM AHMED & CO.
Hongkong, 7th July, 1924.

**No Corn Too
Tough for
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It's fast wonderful how "Gets-It" cures corns
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A burning corn and Prout! The pain stopped
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finger root and all complete. Money back
guaranteed. Come, let a trial—everywhere.
E. Lawrence & Co., Ltd., Chicago. Sold here by

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STAGE AND SOCIETY
STARS.

MR. HAMILTON'S REVEA-
LING BOOK OF GOSSIP.

One of the most cheery, good-
humoured and revealing books
about shining lights in Society
and stage celebrities has just come
from the pen of Mr. Cosmo
Hamilton, the novelist, and play-
wright.

In Unwritten History Mr
Hamilton weaves his own in-
teresting life story into a narrative
threaded with illuminating anec-
dotes about the great people.

Here is a picture of London in
its pre-war days:
"Mrs. Asquith and her carefully
selected group of sycophants and
imitators, who were not content
with suffering from a virulent form
of auto infatuation, but kept on
saying so."

"It was their ineradicable belief,
religion almost, that they had made
a corner in wit, intellectuality, and
independence of thought and
action. Not to be a Soul was to be
a mere body."

"Success in art, letters, music,
the drama, politics, and medicine
depended, doglike, upon their
done of praise, they thought.
They stood for freakishness and
faddism."

"They took a fiendish delight
in carrying out metaphorical
raids on English life for the pur-
pose of collecting and making
bonfires of the last remaining relics
of early-Victorianism. And they
succeeded remarkably well."

"Their persistent, autocratic
propaganda made itself felt, not
only in both Houses of Parliament,
the Press, Eton, Harrow, Oxford,
Cambridge, and the Army, but in
all the arts."

"It is true that the South African
millionaire had made a break in
their rhythm here and there, espe-
cially in Park Lane and Grosvenor
Square, and that already there had
been several assaults upon the por-
tucullis of the House of Lords."

especially during the devastating
regime of the brilliant person from
Wales who gave out titles to all
the men who wrote his praises and
licked his boots with as little
respect for the dignity of England
as a man has for the rules of
decency who is lent a country
house and makes presents of the
crimes and peaches."

A WAR EPISODE.
In contrast to this are some grim
pictures of England during the
war. Mr. Hamilton tells of a mys-
terious expedition in which he
took part in January, 1915. He,
with certain picked men, was
ordered to entrain at Euston for a
place near the East Coast.

They had sealed orders, which
were not to be opened until a
certain moment after their arrival
there. At the small smart country
station they were joined by a
detachment of the Guards and of
artillery. They read the orders at
the appointed time, and found that
they were to mount guns and
searchlights round the King's
cottage at Sandringham.

"It appeared that the King and
Queen, after many months of
ceaseless and unsparring work and
deep anxiety, had felt the need of
a short holiday, and had slipped
away."

"It was very certain that,
although England knew nothing
of the fact that the King had
retired to this place to shoot his
birds and obtain a brief respite
from his arduous duties, Germany
did. In fact, bombs had already
been dropped on nearby fields,
and Kitchener had another worry
to add to his daily pile."

"It got about among us that he
had said we were to sit on the
King's head in case of a buzz."

This was probably a very free and
colloquial adaptation of his orders
to try to persuade the King to
keep well under cover in the
event of a raid, which we all knew
was easier said than done.

"As a fine shot, a born sailor,
and a man who eagerly and gladly
would have given ten years of his
life to be in the thick of the fight-
ing, the King, we knew jolly well,
inevitably would be with us if
there were to be a buzz, acting in
all probability as a gun-layer and
having an excellent time."

Then follows an account of a
charming informal dinner-party
at the Cottage; of how after dinner
the Queen went into the draw-
ing-room to knit socks for sold-
iers, while the King told interest-
ing anecdotes; of the days that
followed when the Queen and
Princess Mary sat on the gun
platforms and had long talks with
the men; and of how the Queen
sat down in the mud with laugh-
ter when one of the officers, while
playing golf, swung himself off
his feet into an artificial lake.

STAGE LANE.
In dealing with the stage the
author shows us playwrights and
players, and makes no attempt to
give them false values.

Of Shaw he writes: "No other
playwright since the world began
has had all his own: way like
Bernard Shaw, been so well served
under such delightful conditions,
or placed so many volumes on the
bookshelves of posterity, with the
possible exception of Shakespeare,
his only rival."

Mr. Hamilton contrasts G.B.S.,
Pinero, and Barrie at rehearsal.

Shaw attends the first rehearsal
of a play full of contagious
enthusiasm. With Pinero, a
heavy, pall-like secrecy lies over
the piece, and he proceeds to
break down the intelligence,
temperament, and pre-conceived
ideas of the actors, until every
one concerned is on the verge of
collapse.

Barrie looks in to see how the
rehearsals of his play shape with
the air of a trespasser who feels
that he would thoroughly deserve
to have something flung at him for
poking his nose into a place where
he ought not to be.

On one occasion Barrie lost his
pipe, and every member of the
company and of the theatre staff
joined in the search. The tragic
cry went up, "Barrie's lost his
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and forgotten.

The author was invited by
Charles Frohman to write a play.
When asked why he had taken
such a risk Frohman replied:—
"I liked your tie and your
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I asked you if you'd do the job,
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told me you'd burst before you let
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The author gives a quaint picture
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Discarding the conventional
attire of the modern woman and
the enormous hat for which she
had to great fondness, she always
appeared on these occasions in a
one-piece melancholy robe, which
might have come from the dress-
ing-room of Dante's Beatrice, and
with a face most pluckily devoid
of make-up and her abundant hair
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through supper in order to enjoy a
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Women do not figure largely in
Mr. Hamilton's history, but Mrs.
Clare Sheridan finds a place:—
"The beautiful, plucky, but
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Sheridan, who is as little frighten-
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platform or her sculptor's tools
is poor. She makes no
bones about it."

"To that distressing fact must be
put down, of course, the various
things that she had done which
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Kipling episode, for instance, and
her Russian busts. Also the vague
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"Mrs. Sheridan, like all beauti-
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Dinner was not served at one
long table but at a number of small
ones in the dining hall, so that it
looked like a restaurant, but for
the age and beauty of the room,
and, at the moment when the
royal party entered, all the lights
flashed up and made the gold plate
glisten on the screens.

In the middle of dinner the ancient
custom took place of drinking wine
with the King, a somewhat
nervous and disconcerting custom
which kept one on edge.

There is a story of Admiral
Maxse which is not correct. It
is to this effect:—

Queen Victoria commanded that
he should give his well-known
imitation of her august self,
watched him put a handkerchief on
his head, sink his chin and blow
out his cheeks, said in her loudest
tone, "We are not amused," and
left him worse than dead.

The offender was not Admiral
Maxse but someone less celebrated.

KINEMA STARS.
Mr. Hamilton writes at length
of the "movie" kings and film
stars. He says:—

BUILDING UP THE BABIES.
How Baby's Own Tablets Help.

Thin weakly infants and small children
are usually victims to stomach or bowel
trouble. When this condition has been
set right it is astonishing how quickly
the little ones put on flesh and start to
thrive. Their paler and fretful faces
give place to rosy, happy, healthy
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there is nothing so good as Baby's Own
Tablets, the Canadian children's remedy.

Parents everywhere who have tried them
are unanimous in their praise. Here is
an American mother's evidence:—

"I think Baby's Own Tablets are
excellent for children," writes Mrs.
Philip Teller, of 53 Ash Street,
Willimantic, Conn. "My boy had been
troubled for over a year with his stomach.
The food he ate did not digest properly
and he had cramps. I gave him Baby's
Own Tablets and they corrected his
trouble. He is in good health now."

Baby's Own Tablets reduce fever,
relieve indigestion and colic, remedy
constipation, check diarrhoea, make
teething easy; expel worms, are abso-
lutely free from opiates or narcotics and are
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Chemists sell them, also post free, 80
cents the trial from Dr. Williams'
Medicine Co., 60 Kingston Road, Shanghai.

BLIND VIOLINIST.

INSPIRED BY NOISE OF
TRAFFIC.

On fine days people walking near
Kensington Gardens are likely to
meet an elderly blind violinist of
distinguished appearance who
plays with exceptional vigour and
brilliance. He is Signor Alfredo
Nardi, an Italian composer, once
the friend of Liszt, Massenet, and
Tchaikowsky, and now well
known in London musical circles.

"It is in the streets, in the open,
that I find my inspiration," he
said, "the sounds of the traffic,
the thousand and one noises of the
busy streets, all breathe melodies
to me. They have supplied me
with many of the themes and ideas
for my latest compositions."

"One day I was standing by
Piccadilly Circus Tube Station,
waiting for a friend. He was late,
and I listened to the thunder of
the traffic. Gradually the sounds
blended into a grand hymn of
exultant life, and I have written it
down. I call it 'London Town.'"

Signor Nardi was to play some
of his compositions at a concert he
was giving at the Steinway Hall.

I had met Douglas Fairbanks in
1913 when, as a young actor, he
crossed on the Olympic for a holi-
day in England, and was almost
the only man in Piccadilly to wear
a top hat and tail-coat. It was
good to find that his remarkable
and well-deserved success had left
him with a head that was perfectly
normal in size, and a sense of
humour as fresh as it has, ever
been.

He had developed into an
athlete as well as an artist since
those pre-war days, and bore the
reminers of all his pictures in the
years upon his body. Sane,
shrewd, energetic, high-spirited,
kind and thoughtful, he had no
illusions as to the permanent
loyalty of picture fans or any com-
fortable and mistaken belief in the
retention of his enormous popu-
larity that allowed him to slacken
in his efforts to make his next
picture better than his last. "The
little leisure that he allowed him-
self was spent in playing games
for the hardening of his muscles,
and how he managed to find the
time to read as widely as he did
was a puzzle to me."

He was helped very greatly by
his wife, Mary Pickford, who did
not look a day older than when
she appeared in her first picture,
and worked as hard as he did. It
was by no means an easy life for
either of them, or one free from
anxiety. The fickleness of the
public hung like the sword of
Damocles over both their heads,
but they did not intend to let it
fall through any fault of theirs.

They were blissfully happy to-
gether and as much in love as turtle
doves.

CHAPLIN—TRAGEDIAN.
As for Charles Spencer Chaplin,
with the flapping feet and comic
monstrance, doomed to be funny at
all costs, he struck me then as a
man who had grown out of his
ragged trousers, but was without
sufficient tragic gifts that belong to
every great comedian. Shy as a
seagull and, like Douglas Fair-
banks, without a swollen head, it
seemed to me that he only needed
the right encouragement and the
right story to enable him to break
away from the easy stuff that he
was doing, and which he had been
content to do to the infinite amuse-
ment of all the peoples to whom
his name is a household word,

since his earliest years upon the
vaudeville stage in England, and
America, to prove himself an actor
of the utmost sympathy and charm,
with a power to draw tears as well
as laughter and stir the deeper
emotions of an audience that is far
more eager than he seems to think
to go up with a man to the high-
est point of his capacity. "I would
like to see him play 'Richard II.'"
for instance, and I am sure that
he would have brought Mark Sabro
to life in 'If Winter Comes' with
electrical effect. But of all the
parts that he is capable of playing
as it has never been played before,
Peter Pan is the one. I wish he
would take his courage in both
hands and ask J. M. Barrie to let
him put that play on the screen.

CHASING CLUES.

NEW LONDON SOCIETY
GAME.

On the steps of a flat in Mayfair
two girls, exquisitely dressed,
were seen seated with their hats
beside them, working feverishly
at a mathematical problem, say-
ing the *Daily Mail*.

They were engaged in solving a
mystery, of a series of mysteries,
for they belonged to a new set
in the world of fashion—the
Society of Bright Young People—
and were engaged on a new game:
a combination of a "rag," a trea-
sure hunt, and a test of observation.

The last exploit of the society,
which is composed of young men
and women, sons and daughters of
some of the most famous people in
London, was a game of hare and
hounds on the London Under-
ground railways.

The game began in Bryanstone-
square, W., where about 20 cars
collected for the start. Each com-
petitor was given an envelope to
open at 2.30 p.m., and this con-
tained the words:

IRGA SLGVO.—If A equals Z,
then must Z equal A.

This led to a good deal of con-
centrated thought. Then one car
dashed away to the Ritz Hotel, to
be followed at intervals by re-
versing the alphabet, Z becomes A
and LRGA Ritz.

At the Ritz Hotel, the com-
petitors as they arrived were given
another clue, more difficult than
the first, which on solution led
them to the London Museum.

EMBARRASSED YOUNG MEN.
The next clue led to a hairdres-
sers shop in Regent street, where
the competitors were handed a
photograph of a young man, who,
it was stated, could be found in the
centre of Piccadilly Circus. He
was—and many other young men,
too, who blushed when accosted

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affected parts thoroughly with Cham-
berlain's Pain Balm. Try it when you
have need of such a preparation and see
for yourself what an excellent in-
gredient it is. Sold everywhere.

By beautiful young women, who
asked them if they had a "clue."
But the clue which put many of
the young women out of the running
was as follows:—

Take a certain number (below
five) and cube it. This result and
another number greater than it by
one are the first two figures of the
telephone number you are seeking.
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DEATHS.

NATHANSEN.—On July 14, 1924, at the General Hospital, Shanghai, Berthe Nathansen, aged 35 years.

NORTON.—At Colombo, on 21st July, 1924, from enteric fever, Herbert James Bridges Norton, late manager of Hongkong Hotel. (By cable).

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, July 23, 1924.

THE PIRACY EVIL.

Almost we hesitate to remark the fact that local waters have lately been agreeably free from piracy, lest we invite the usual perverse sequel before the ink is hardly dry. Many times before this the Colony has been lulled into a false sense of security only to be rudely awakened by some outrage more impudent than ever. But although we are naturally

diffident about uttering congratulations which perverse Fate may promptly turn into lamentations, still we think it can be safely said that, so far as the bigger ships are concerned anyway, the danger of piracy was never less than it is to-day. This comparative security, it should be added, is in great measure due to the efforts of the China Coast Officers' Guild and the Marine Engineers' Guild of China, working in close co-operation with the Imperial body. Accordingly it is refreshing to see that the Guilds' further efforts are not being allowed to languish. From latest Home papers we learn that besides supplying the different Imperial Government departments with copies of specific plans put forward by China Coast Officers to combat piracy, the Imperial Merchant Service Guild has placed before the Secretary of State for the Colonies comprehensive correspondence received from the China Coast Officers' Guild. The latest development is contained in the reply from the Secretary of State,

in which it appears "that it has been arranged that when the report for which the Governor of Hongkong has been asked, is received, the whole matter—including the representations which have been made by the China Coast Officers' Guild and the Marine Engineers' Guild of China—will be considered by a committee of representatives of the Departments of his Majesty's Government which are concerned in the matter." The importance of this development, of course, lies in the fact that Hongkong seafaring opinion feels that the Navy should play an even bigger part than it does in dealing with the piracy evil, and this opinion will now be considered, not by local officials, but by the executive heads with whom rest the final decisions.

Turtle Turners.

Familiar figures in our midst are the fisherman whose catches grow with each successive telling of the story and the golfer who if it were possible, would have done a hole in less than one. This is the time of the year when a further tax is placed upon our powers of credulity by the stories of the turtle hunter. When he tells us of whole nights spent lying on the moonlit shore without speaking, smoking, or even moving in spite of the ravages of sand-flies his hearers catch their breath and marvel at the hardihood of man; but, when he begins to refer to his catches by the hundredweight those who know nothing about the pastime begin to wonder if there may not be truth after all in the popular association of moonlight with romance. This, in all possibility, is due to their having some sort of vague idea of the hunter putting the turtle on his back alive; but what actually happens is that when the turtle goes in shore to lay its eggs a stake is placed beneath it and several people help in its leverage for when on its back it is quite helpless and can be killed at leisure. It is quite an easy process the turtle hunter tells us and it is quite obvious that he thoroughly enjoys his thirty-mile trip to some remote part of Lantau and his all-night vigil. It is no doubt his appeal for those anxious for fresh experiences; but to most people to remain at home in a comfortable bed and put up with the tales of the hunters on their return is the lesser of what they no doubt look upon as two evils.

The China Year Book.

The eighth issue of The China Year Book has reached us; once again we welcome its addition to our reference library. The new issue is slightly larger than previous editions and includes a number of new features. Among these are—an entirely new chapter on Education, with details of the principal Colleges and Universities in China; a description of the movement for educating illiterates; and a chapter on Athletics in which are given a comprehensive survey of western forms of athletics since their introduction during the last two decades. Chinese National Amateur Records and those made by students of the Middle Schools. In the latter connection, it is interesting to note that the time (6 seconds) of Ko Shao-ken of Ellis Kadoorie School, Hongkong, made in the 50 yards dash at Nanking in 1910, still holds. A complete translation of the new regulations relating to criminal procedure is a welcome addition. The chapter on railways has been greatly expanded; a comprehensive survey of the traffic in opium is as informative as it is useful. A summary of medical events in China during 1923 will appeal to many. Professor Hu Shih, the promoter, contributes a valuable chapter on the Chinese Renaissance. China's finances—always a subject of absorbing interest—include the latest available information. Another new feature, which is invaluable to students of Chinese politics and for reference is the documented information regarding the Lincheng affair, the negotiations for the rendition of Wei-hai-wei, the gold franc controversy, the Sino-Russian negotiations, the new Trade Mark Law and the Canton Customs. Reliable summaries of Chinese Politics during the past 12 months and an account of the civil wars which have been raging in China during the past 18 months are also valuable new items. We have mentioned above the new features which most appeal to us. Chapters that have not been completely

re-written show signs of careful revision in the light of the latest information. The Washington Conference Treaties and Resolutions are again included; newspaper editors and other students of politics will be grateful for this concession, in view of the probability of numerous issues arising out of them being raised in the near future. Mr. H. G. W. Woodhead, C.B.E., and his collaborators are to be heartily congratulated on the completion of a task of immense difficulty and responsibility as are the printers and publishers, The Tientsin Press, Ltd., on the admirable production.

America's "Kipling" AT "ling" Week HOME.

great storyteller's home by visitors from across the Atlantic. One day when he was busy in his study there burst in upon him a man, followed by two lads, who asked: "Are you Rudyard Kipling?" Receiving an answer in the affirmative, he turned to the lads and said, "Boys, this is Rudyard Kipling." Then to Mr. Kipling, "Boys, this is where you write." "Boys, this is where I write." And says Mr. Kipling, "Before I could do so much as ask his name they were gone."

Mr. Bernard Shaw's MORE PESSIMISM.

cause he did not like asparagus recalls a more amusing—because, according to the speaker's intention, accurate—use of it by a child. It was a war birthday, and a few strawberries had been procured as a great treat. The question rose whether sugar could be spared to eat with them. Daddy helpfully suggested that they might be sweet enough to eat alone, whereupon his small daughter turned on him with the crushing condemnation, "Oh, daddy, you are a pessimist!"

PALACE OF THE FOLLOWING MACHINERY. LINES IN THE

Post" which vividly convey an impression of Wembley's machinery wonders. Through this window look, and see Laxesse of machinery. Mighty gun and tiny drill. Both together lying still. Work of townships whose smoke lies. Daylong, blinding out the skies. Great drop castings, hard and cool. Products of a painful school. Pumps and presses, dynamos. Ranged around in shining rows. Every bevel, pin, and plate. Absolutely accurate. Out of all this clank and hum Comes, then, the millennium? After all this toil and stress Shall we fashion happiness? Through achievements such as this Venture from our chrysalis? Here's the old material side Brightened, broadened, glorified, Is there, still, another way Upward? Let an Empire say.

OUT OF THE most awful FRYING-PAN actress Leversay, said the mild-mannered man to his neighbour in the stalls.

"That lady is my wife," replied his neighbour. "I should have said 'She is a good actress struggling with a rotten play. I wonder what fool wrote it?' corrected the mild one. 'Unfortunately, I am the author,' said the neighbour simply.

In view of the almost countless plays at Wembley, which are novel in extreme, it seems invidious, perhaps, to pick out any single one for particular mention. The exhibit sent from Alberta, how- ever, in which the Prince of Wales, his horse, and in the background his ranch at High River are all modeled in butter, does appeal as being unusually noteworthy. It has taken three and a half tons of butter to make this exhibit and two men are employed day and night keeping it frozen to the right temperature.

LATEST WILLS. (Mr. Frederick WISSLER, of

Heath House, 1 Shooters Hill-road, Blackheath, S.E., chairman of the Marmite Food Extract Co., Ltd., £79,956.

Mr. Leslie Hargrave Wood, of 18, Basil-mansions, Knights-bridge, S.W., £51,573.

Mr. John Grigg Tomkinson, of High Habbesley, Kidderminster, Worcestershire, retired carpet manufacturer, left £250 to his gamekeeper. Henry Fanner, and £200 to his parlourmaid, Louie Norman, if still in his service, and not under notice, £43,758.

Mr. Walter Dawson, of Daws-bury, York-shire, chartered accountant, left £150 to his housekeeper, Jane Helena Young, if still in his service, £4,000; and if she should desire it, the use of his house, for 12 months, £21,574.

Mr. Andre Nicholas Argenti, of 6, Montagu-square, W., left £300 to James Tupper, his stud groom and chauffeur, £200 to Nurse

Beatrice Mary Stevens, two years' wages to each other domestic servant of 4 years' service not under notice, £3,000 to his friend, Caryl Hanbury, of Mollington, Banbury, £18,460.

Mrs. Julia Onofra Lepel Young Adams, of East Molesey, Surrey, £11,053.

The Rev. George Henry Purdie M.A., of Mayfield, Sussex, at one time vicar of Shottermill, Hasel-mere, Surrey, £8,588.

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To-day's Poem.

(Dream-Pedlary.)

If there were dreams to sell,

What would you buy?

Some cost a passing bell,

Some a light sigh,

That shakes from Life's fresh crown

Only a rose-leaf down.

If there were dreams to sell,

Merry and sad to tell,

And the erier rang the bell,

What would you buy?

A cottage lone and still,

With bowers high,

Shadowy, my woe to still,

Until I die.

Such pearl from Life's fresh crown

Fain would I shake me down.

Were dreams to have at will,

This would best heal my ill,

This would I buy.

—Thomas Lovell Beddoes.

WEATHER CALENDAR.

JULY 22.

1775. There is, I think, still the

same prospect of a plentiful

harvest. We have in this

part of the Kingdom had

rain to swell the grain, and

sunshine to ripen it.

—Johnson.

DISAPPOINTED AMBITION.

The same sun which gilds all

nature, and exhilarates the whole

creation, does not shine upon dis-

appointed ambition. It is some-

thing that rays out of darkness,

and inspires nothing but gloom

and melancholy. Men in this de-

plorable state of mind find a com-

fort in spreading the contagion of

their spleen. They find an advan-

tage, too, for it is a general

popular error to imagine the loud-

est complainers from the public to

be the most anxious for its wel-

fare. If such persons can answer

the ends and profit of relief, they

are apt to be careless enough about

either the means or the conse-

quences.

—Edmund Burke.

SHADOWS BEFORE.

Coming Events Advertised

In The Mail.

ENTERTAINMENTS.

July 22.—Cognet Theatre;

"The Sheikh."

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"Alimony."

PUBLIC AUCTIONS.

SHAMEEN STRIKE.**SETTLEMENT NEARLY REACHED.****EXPECTED ANY MOMENT.****Will The Police Be Taken Back?**

Latest news from Canton indicates that although no settlement has yet been reached in the Shameen strike, indications are that it soon will be. As regards the reinstatement of servants and clerks, there is little cause for hesitation as employers realize that the Guilds are more to blame than the individuals.

The one difficulty outstanding is the question of overlooking the behaviour of the police in deserting their posts. In the meantime the Chinese, so it is stated, are becoming more importunate; if this attitude continues, the settlement may be delayed.

MARINER'S DEATH.**FALL FROM VERANDAH.****FUNERAL TO-MORROW.**

The dead body of Mr. Eric Alexander Thompson, ship's deck officer, was found at the Des Vaux Road entrance to the Sailors' Home, West Point, at 9.30 last night by a room boy at the Home. The only injuries found were to the legs and the Police are of the opinion that deceased fell from one of the verandahs, the lowest of which is 30 feet from the ground.

Mr. Thompson's home is in Australia and until recently he had been on the s.s. "Derwent." Since it was sold he had not been in employment and he had been in the Home for ten days.

The funeral will take place to-morrow, the cortege passing the Monument at 5.30 p.m.

ARMED ROBBERY.**WELCHER ST. AFFAIR.****AMAL IS STABBED.**

About 7 o'clock this morning, four robbers gained access to a room on the second floor at No. 50 Welch St., which is occupied by a well-to-do Chinese, who returned from America last year, his wife and servants. The owner himself is absent on business in Canton, but his wife and children were at home when the robbers gained access to the room by climbing over a scaffolding erected near a drain-pipe in the back yard.

Three of the men are said to have been armed with clasp-knives. A brand new one was found in the room after the robbers' departure.

A PLUCKY AMAL.

The inmates were 3 women and 5 children and these, with the exception of an amal, were soon cowed and kept quiet while the robbers were rummaging and jewelry to the value of \$120 was carried off.

The amal pluckily tried to make her escape and raise the alarm, and in retaliation, one of the robbers viciously stabbed the woman in the left side. The unfortunate woman was subsequently removed to hospital, where she lies in a precarious condition.

Before leaving the house, the robbers bound and gagged the unfortunate occupants of the flat with wire which they had brought with them. They made good their escape by the way they had entered. Neighbours eventually found the victims, released them and warned the police who had the injured amal removed to the Government Civil Hospital, where, as stated, her condition is cause for much anxiety.

STOLEN CLOTHES.**COMPLAINANT WHO WAS HAVING A BATH.**

It is not a very pleasant experience to have one's clothes stolen while one is in one's bath and a defendant at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning could be excused for being indignant about it for he told the Magistrate that he had to run after the thief clothed in nothing but a jacket.

The complainant and the defendant were Chinese deportees from a Dutch colony and the theft took place at the deportee shed at Yau-mai. The defendant was also charged with assaulting complainant.

Evidence was given by the Chinese constable in charge of the shed who said that the complainant did not identify the defendant as the man who took his clothes until some Dutch guilders were found on him and then the complainant said that they were in the pockets of the stolen clothes. When the complainant said the money belonged to him the defendant struck him in witness's presence.

Mr. Hamilton said that there was not sufficient evidence to convict the defendant of theft, but he would have to pay complainant \$5 for the assault.

M.V. "GLENSHIEL."**A GLEN ACQUISITION.****MOTOR VESSEL PIONEERS.**

The motor vessel "Glenshiel," built by Messrs. Harland & Wolff, Ltd. of Belfast, arrived here on her maiden trip last evening, having made the journey from London to Hongkong in 36 days. The vessel is lying at Kowloon wharf and is expected to sail for the North to-morrow morning. Captain J. McGregor, the senior master of the Glen Line fleet, is in command. During the construction of the vessel and during her trials in Belfast Lough, he represented the owners.

Description Of Vessel.

The Glen Line, Ltd., may be regarded as a pioneer amongst British concerns in the employment of large ocean-going motorships, and has had a considerable number of these vessels built at Harland and Wolff's Govan Works, but the "Glenshiel" is the first motorship built for them at Belfast. The new vessel, which is 485ft. by 62ft. by 39ft. 6in., has three complete steel decks, together with poop, bridge, and fore-castle. There are seven watertight bulkheads, and the double bottom, which extends fore and aft, is arranged to carry water ballast and oil fuel as well as fresh water, piston cooling water and lubricating oil. Accommodation is provided for passengers in a steel house on the boat deck forward. The dining saloon is on the bridge deck, and the walls are finished with mahogany dado with enrichments above. The smokeroom on the boat deck is finished in polished oak and is provided with card and writing tables. The comfort of the passengers has been further provided for by the installation of cabin and electric fans, as the electric radiators throughout the staterooms and saloons. The electrical installation consists of two Diesel engine driven generators, each having a capacity of 200 k.w. The ship is well illuminated in the machinery spaces and passenger accommodation, as well as on the decks. For working cargo at night there are eighteen 8-light clusters, in addition to a large number of 1/2-watt lamps for the general lighting of the decks.

The machinery throughout the vessel is electrically-driven, including the steering gear, and in addition to the large electrically-driven windlass forward there are 16 winches, some of which have a lifting capacity of seven tons over a single pulley. The auxiliaries in the engine-room are also electrically-driven, and include an air compressor, driven by a 180 h.p. motor. The refrigerating plant is driven by two 32 h.p. motors, in addition to three smaller motors for the brine and circulating pumps. A complete system of wireless telegraphy has been installed, and there is a complete bell installation throughout. The propelling machinery of the "Glenshiel" consists of two sets of Diesel engines of the well-known Burmeister and Wain-Harland and Wolff type. Each engine develops 3,000 h.p. when running at 115 r.p.m., and has eight cylinders 740 mm. bore and 1,150 mm. stroke.

"PRIMITIVE" LOVERS.**STAR THEATRE'S FINE BURLESQUE.**

Showing at the Star Theatre to-day and to-morrow is a delightful comedy with vivacious Constance Talmadge playing the leading role. "The Primitive Lover" is really a delicious burlesque, poking fun as it does at the solemn nonsense of the typical man and his mate story. Besides this, however, it also offers a first rate plot in which humour and adventure are skilfully mingled. There are one or two serious moments but they are over almost before they are noticed, and anyway they serve to give here and there a note of contrast to the prevailing high spirit of the picture. Constance Talmadge is very ably supported by Harrison Ford as the husband who resorts to cave man tactics, and by Kenneth Kieran as the novelist whose vaunted courage and resources sadly wilt when they are put to the test under the very conditions which he has so often described in his "best sellers."

OBITUARY.**H. J. B. NORTON.**

The many friends of Mr. H. J. B. Norton, late manager of the Hongkong Hotel, will learn with regret of his death from an enteric fever at Colombo yesterday. Mr. Norton left here for home by the s.s. "Suva Maru" on July 2 and was in his usual good health at the time as far as is known here.

HARD AGROUND.**AMERICAN DESTROYER'S ADVENTURE.****BRITISH NAVY'S HELP.****(From Our Own Correspondent.)****CHEFOO, July 11.**

The U.S.S. Destroyer "Noa" ran aground on the North East Promontory, near here. The U.S.S. "Black Hawk" and "Bittern" with two destroyers, went to her assistance, but were unable to move her. H.M. Minesweeper "Marazion" and Tug "St. Brock" from Wei-hai-wei, then arrived on the scene, and with their combined efforts, the "Noa" was finally pulled afloat. Fortunately the destroyer was neither badly damaged nor leaking, and was able to return to Chefoo.

FINANCIAL CHAOS.**GLOOMY CANTON OUTLOOK.****OUTLAWING SILVER COINS.****(From Our Special Correspondent.)**

The citizens of Canton are much disturbed at present by the reckless financial measures of Dr. Sun Yat-sen's régime promulgated at a time when the merchants are giving their attention to local defence and flood relief and the labourers their assistance to the Shameen employees on strike against what they believe to be discriminating regulations. The Cantonese do not think that they should be taken advantage of in their present plight by Dr. Sun Yat-sen.

Dr. Sun Yat-sen is going to outlaw all 20-cent subsidiary coins of Kwangtung made previous to 1923. All coins minted previously must be exchanged for new ones within a month. Failure to submit the old coins for exchange within a month will subject them to discount at a rate of 10 per cent for every ten days or to illegal tender altogether after a hundred days. Coins submitted for exchange will be analyzed as to their fineness and discounted accordingly and found to be below the fixed standard.

Understandings among the people appear that the real purpose of Dr. Sun Yat-sen for going to all this trouble is to collect old bits of higher standard coins in return for his new ones which are lower and thus to make a profit out of the difference. Dr. Sun is not unaware of the present flood condition and the prevalence of piracy which make transportation of silver impossible, which will delay matters, and give him a greater chance to discount the old coins. Moreover, some merchants do not believe that Dr. Sun's authority can go very far and all these measures will simply bring chaos to the financial market of Kwangtung.

PROBLEM OF SUN.**CANTONESE PUZZLED.****RELIEF WORK.****(From Our Special Correspondent.)**

Ninety-nine leading firms of the Canton Sugar Guild have issued a joint statement denying that any one of them has voluntarily complied with the recent order of the present Canton régime to pay a further war tax of 25 per cent on sugar. It appears that certain merchants, friendly to the present government or seeking a food profit, have been importing sugar during the suspension by the guild members and paying the war tax. On July 19, the Commissioner of Finance of Kwangtung issued an order raising all tax rates by one-fifth to one-half of the present existing rates. Through this boost in prices, some items are twice or three affected since the renewal of the internecine war early in 1923, upon the return of Dr. Sun to Canton.

At present the Canton people are too busy with their flood, and mercenary troop problems to bother much with Dr. Sun Yat-sen, who himself has long become a problem to his fellow countrymen, according to a well-known Cantonese merchant now working on the relief committee. The relief work in Canton is now undertaken, chiefly by the Merchant Volunteer Corps, who are now sending their third relief expedition to the inundated districts on the upper West River and other parts of Kwangtung. The Nanyang Brothers Tobacco Company, through its many agencies in the districts, is rendering great assistance to the volunteers, whose leader, Mr. Chai Jun-pai, is also a director of the company. The Yunnan mercenary along the West River have agreed to refrain from exacting tribute from relief junkies carrying food to the sufferers.

MOULDERS' STRIKE.**WORKMEN STILL FIRM.****REJECT EMPLOYERS' OFFER.**

There seems little likelihood of an early settlement being reached in the strike among local moulders. The compromise proposed by the employers, of a bonus of 50 per cent of profits accruing from casting jobs, has been rejected. Delegates of the Moulders' Guild went to Canton on Saturday to inform the workers of the Dock Companies' compromise. They returned on Sunday night only to inform the Secretary for Chinese Affairs that the men did not agree to the terms suggested.

Yesterday morning representatives of the Moulders' Guild called upon the Secretary for Chinese Affairs and gave him the strikers' answer, which he in turn will forward to the various Dock Companies.

POLICE ATTACKED?**CONFLICTING EVIDENCE.**

Allegations of an attack upon them with a shovel and piece of wood were made by two Wei-hai-wei constables at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning when a Chinese man and woman, both employees of the Chak Tai Shing Timber Co., were charged with assaulting them and obstructing them in the performance of their duty. Owing to the conflicting evidence, the case was adjourned for the magistrate to examine the place where the disturbance occurred.

One of the constables said in evidence that he was talking to a hawker when the male defendant came up and began to take the hawker's part. The woman then appeared suddenly from behind him and hit him on the shoulder with a shovel. The man with the piece of wood also assumed a threatening attitude so witness blew his police whistle. The other police constable came to his assistance and the male defendant struck him with the piece of wood when he tried to place him under arrest.

Mr. R. E. A. Webster appeared for the defendants and said that his case was that there was a row outside the timber yard and the male defendant went out from the office and told the constable to go to the police station. The police constable then struck him three times with a truncheon. Regarding the woman she had been knocked over by the constable as he was rushing about.

The case will be heard to-morrow afternoon.

THE EASTERN MAILS

Questions are being asked as to the immense amount of time alleged to be saved by sending mails to the East by Siberia instead of by the ordinary route via the Suez Canal, and the answer that was given in the House some time ago has not pacified the advocates of the Russian route in the least. They suggest a saving of a fortnight or so, and they want all our mails sent that way, says the "Journal of Commerce." Some people might be willing to run the risk, and others may not, for if the P. and O. route is occasionally slower, it is at least sure, and anybody entrusting their mails to them are certain of getting them delivered.

The Bolsheviks are running a weekly train over the Trans-Siberian Railway, but there is no very valuable guarantee that it will ever arrive at its destination, and still less that foreign property will do so. They still retain their ideas on the meaning of individual property, and British commercial mail would be a very tempting bait for them. If it were of no direct value to them, it would at least be quite saleable to some of our rivals on the Continent, and there are plenty of commissaries who are not above eking out their salaries in this manner. To write the letters in code would be no protection, for, according to Soviet ethics, that is a very serious offence, and renders the writer, addressee, and everybody else who might advantageously be victimised by Moscow liable to all sorts of pains and penalties when opportunity offers.

Security First. To say that this has not happened yet is useless; most of the outrages committed by the Bolsheviks on the commerce of the civilised nations have been innovations, generally apparently the happy inspiration of the moment. Haste is a very great thing in modern business, but most people regard security as being of much greater importance, and the present moment is scarcely one in which it is politic to pitch complete trust in Russia. At the same time it must be admitted that the Trans-Siberian Railway has made big progress lately, and when the

SHIPPING PROFITS.**SHANGHAI PAPER'S COMMENT.**

The Crown Colony of Hongkong appears to be in an extremely flourishing condition, if we take as a criterion the Treasury financial statement for the month of March which has just made its appearance in the "Government Gazette," and which shows the balance of assets over liabilities to be \$18,443,853.65. We are not so much concerned with that statement, however, as by the revelation that the sum of \$2,220,493.91 is still shown under the heading of "Shipping Control Account," says the N.C. "Daily News." There seems no doubt that these are the two million or so dollars which were responsible for the passing of the new famous Indemnity Ordinance, for the litigation brought by a number of shipowners to recover some of the money from the Hongkong Government, and for the statement made in the British Supreme Court for China recently by the unfortunate Mr. Moller that his bankruptcy was largely attributable to the action of Hongkong in keeping all the profits made while the ships were operated for the Shipping Controller. It is not our intention again to comment on that litigation or the justice or otherwise of the Hongkong Government's attitude. In passing the Indemnity Ordinance, but rather to express wonderment that so large a sum can be carried on the books of the Colony apparently indefinitely. It will be remembered that at one time there was a serious Government project afoot in Hongkong to use the money to remedy the housing shortage, or to build hospitals, but the scheme seems to have fallen through. As, since that scheme was mooted, Hongkong has said that it only operated the ships under orders from and for the Admiralty, and that any claim the shipowners might have would be against the Imperial Government, the doubt arises as to whether there is not another rift in the lute and whether the Home Government itself is not casting covetous eyes on the money. It certainly seems strange. Hongkong has disclaimed responsibility for requisitioning the ships; has got the profits and refuses to hand them over to the owners of the vessels; and does not itself use the money on any of the many excellent purposes to which it might be put. The fate of those two million dollars will be watched with great interest by more than one, ourselves included.

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"SICILIA"	8,813	5th Aug.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MANTUA"	10,902	23rd Aug.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"NAGOYA"	8,884	30th Aug.	Singapore, Penang, Col'bo & Bombay
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" Corned, - Han Ngon Yeh	26	23	18
" Roast, - Shin	26	23	18
" Breast, - Ngon Nam	24	20	16
" Soup, - Tong Yeh	25	22	16
" Steak, - Ngon Yeh	28	24	18
" Steak, - Ngon Lau	25	22	16
" Sausages, - Ngon Cheung	20	18	12
" Sausages, - Ngon No per set	12	10	8
" Sausages, - Ngon No per set	10	8	6
" Tongue, fresh, - Ngon Lau	50	40	30
" Tongue, corned, - Han Ngon Li	60	50	40
" Head, - Ngon Lau	1.00	1.00	1.00
" Heart, - Ngon Lau	1.12	1.12	1.12
" Hump, - Ngon Lau	20	20	20
" Feet, - Ngon Lau	12	12	12
" Kidneys, - Ngon Lau	10	10	10
" Liver, - Ngon Lau	12	12	12
" Liver, - Ngon Lau	12	12	12
" Tripe (undressed), Ngon Lau	6	6	6

Calves' Head and Feet, - Ngon Lau

1.20 1.00 1.00

Mutton Chop, - Ngon Lau

42 38 34

Leg, - Ngon Lau

42 38 34

Shoulder, - Ngon Lau

42 38 34

Seal, - Ngon Lau

42 38 34

Pork Chop, - Ngon Lau

42 38 34

Leg, - Ngon Lau

42 38 34

Loin, - Ngon Lau

42 38 34

Fat or Lean, - Ngon Lau

42 38 34

Sheep's Head and Feet, - Ngon Lau

42 38 34

Seal, - Ngon Lau

42 38 34

Kidneys, - Ngon Lau

42 38 34

Liver, - Ngon Lau

42 38 34

Sticking Pig, to order, - Ngon Lau

42 38 34

Suet, Seal, - Ngon Lau

42 38 34

Veal, - Ngon Lau

42 38 34

Sausages, - Ngon Lau

42 38 34

No. 1, - Ngon Lau

42 38 34

Barbel, - Ka Yu

40 19 14

Bream, - Pin Yu

38 20 16

Canton Fresh Water Fish.

Hoi Sin Yu

24 18 16

Carp, - Li Yu

28 18 16

Catfish, - Chik Yu

45 12 9

Codfish, - Mun Yu

28 30 25

Crabs, - Hal

42 23 20

 Octopus Fish, - Mui Yu | 30 | 16 | 12 || Dab, - Shi Mang Yu | 40 | 22 | 15 |
Dace, - Wong Mei Lap	18	10	9
Dog Fish, - Shi To Shi	12	10	8
Eel, - Conger, - Hoi Man	38	18	16
Fresh water, - Tan Shi Yu	38	20	18
Yellow, - Wong Shi	48	28	20
Frog, - Tin Kai	68	32	25
Grouper, - Shek Pan	78	40	30
Gudgeon, - Pak Kap Yu	24	18	15
Herring, - Tan Pak	38	22	18
Halibut, - Cheung Kwai	38	18	15
Labrus, - Wong Yu	38	18	15
Loach, - Wu Yu	68	32	24
Lobster, - Lung Ha	68	32	24
Mackerel, - Chi Yu	38	20	16
Monk Fish, - Mong Yu	44	22	18
Mullet, - Tai Yu	30	18	15
Oysters, - Shang Ho	24	16	12
Parrot Fish, - Kai Hung Yu	26	14	9
Pearl, - Tan Lo	30	16	12
Pike, - Fa Pan Fong	18	10	9
Plaice, - Pan Yu	48	28	20
Pomfret, Black, - Hak Cheung	38	20	16
Pomfret, White, - Pak Cheung	38	20	16
Prawns, - Ming Ha	60	30	25
Ray, - Tai Pa Shi	10	10	14
Rock Fish, - Shek Kwai	24	12	10
Roach, - Chiu Yu	38	22	18
Salmon, - Ma Yu	40	20	16
Shark, - Shi Yu	12	6	5
Skate, - Po Yu	18	10	10
Skipper, - Ha	58	28	20
Skipper, - Lap Yu	58	28	20
Sole, - Tai Shi Yu	48	28	20
Tuna, - Wan Yu	20	12	10
Turbot, - Two Shi Yu	40	15	12
Turtle, small fresh water,	Kau Yu 1.30	40	

Poultry.

July 16, 1924. June 1918. June 1914.

Chick, - Kal

10 10 10

Capon, Small, - Shi Kai

18 18 18

Capon, Large, - Shi Kai

28 28 28

Deer, - Ap

40 40 40

Dove, - Pan Nam

18 18 18

Egg, Hen, - Kai Tan (cooking) per doz

18 18 18

Egg, Hen, - Kai Tan (fresh) per doz

18 18 18

Fowl, Canton, - Kai

10 10 10

Fowl, Hainan, - Hoi Nam Kai

48 48 48

Goose, - Ngo

32 32 32

Pigeon, Canton, - Pak Kap

50 50 50

Holbro, - Hoi Nam Pak Kap

38 38 38

Turkey, Cook, - Fo Kai Kang

18 18 18

Turkey, Hen, - Fo Kai Na

18 18 18

Sole, - Shi Yu

18 18 18

Pharaoh, - Shi Kai

18 18 18

Quail, - Om Chou

18 18 18

Partridge, - Shi Kai

18 18 18

Fruits.

Almonds, - Hang Yu

1.60 1.60 1.60

Apples, (California), - Kam Shan

32 32 32

Bananas, (bride's), - Kam Shan

5 5 5

Cashew, - Kam Shan

18 18 18

Cocoon, - Ye Yu

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WORLD FLIGHT.

MACLAREN HELD UP.

(Reuter's Service.)

TOKYO, July 21.
Squadron Leader MacLaren and his party are still weather-bound on Urap Island.

ARRIVAL AT KAGOSHIMA.
Kobe, July 21.—Squadron leader Stuart MacLaren's aeroplane was sighted through the mist to the south-west of Kagoshima on Saturday at 4:55 p.m. Scores of thousands of students and spectators along the shore near the Mercantile Marine School cheered the fliers, waving Union Jacks. The machine came directly over the landing place and, after a steady circuit flight above the crowds, landed at 5:55 p.m.

The British flying party left Chisholm, England, on March 25 and reached Kagoshima after 103 days. The distance is about 10,200 miles.

Squadron leader MacLaren and his assistants came ashore half an hour later and were taken by Mr. Ueno, Deputy Mayor, and the Aviation Committee-men to the lecture hall of the Marine School, where they rested and were inspected as a matter of form by a Customs officer. The two aviators, over beer and sandwiches, stated that the machine left Shanghai at 9:25 a.m. flying for Kagoshima direct. When they came near a small islet they found that the aeroplane had taken a northerly drift owing to the wind. They consulted the chart and corrected their course. The weather was fine and the trip was pleasant. The aviators said that they had never had such a tremendous ovation as in Kagoshima. They hoped to get home by the end of next month, with luck.

After a short rest at the lecture hall the aviators attended a reception at Kanokike, where Mr. Ijima, Mayor of Kagoshima, addressed felicitations—and his daughter presented to the aviators baskets with beautiful flowers and souvenirs. The students of the girls' schools sang "God save the King." The welcome came to a close at 6:40 p.m.

Then the aviators set their hands to inspecting and repairing the machine and put up for the night at the Satsumaya Hotel.

AT KUSHIMOTO.
On Sunday the party left Kagoshima for Kushimoto at 7:05 a.m., having taken aboard Flight-Lieut. Bryant of the British Embassy at Tokyo.

For some days the district of Kushimoto had been under a curtain of mist, though the weather was fair in the morning. A telegram notifying the departure of the British party at 7:05 a.m. was received at Kushimoto, but the aeroplane could not be sighted until noon. Telegrams were sent out in all directions inquiring about the passage of the British machines. There was excitement in the town for a time, when a report arrived that the British machine had landed on the coast of Nishimuro Gun, about 25 miles north-west of Kushimoto, at 1:50 p.m.

Gasoline was taken in at the Kawanishi Aerodrome, and the machine flew low for Kushimoto through the dense clouds, landing at 5:05 p.m., after a couple of circuit flights over the town. The spectators below gave deafening cheers.

Headed by the Union Jack, the flying party came ashore and made its way for the Kaigetsu-Kwan Hotel through roads thickly lined with school children and others took a short rest at the Hotel before attending a reception at the Kushimoto elementary school where the aviators exchanged greetings with Mr. Tajima, head of the town office. Mr. Goto, representative of the Governor of Wakayama, and other leading people of the locality. Garland souvenirs were offered to the aviators, and Squadron leader MacLaren returned thanks.

The squadron leader explained to interviewers that the proposed flight to Kushimoto, by way of Sakurajima, Osumi and the Sea of Hyuga was intercepted by a dense fog, which had to be avoided because of the risk of crashing into the mountains. At 7:45 a.m. the aeroplane had to put back to Kagoshima and taking a route around Sata Point, flew for Kushimoto, the route being about 800 miles longer. The machine

WORLD THEATRE.

"ALIMONY."

"Alimony," which comes to the World Theatre to-morrow, is a gripping domestic drama by A. T. Locke which depends for its plot on the complexities of character of the wife. Grace Darmond plays this difficult role. This tall, willowy blonde, whose personal magnetism has brought her to the very top of American screen actresses, is the heroine of a long line of picture successes. Her sense of balance, her beauty, grace and style, all lend themselves to her interpretation of the magnificent wife in "Alimony."

Her handsome though erring husband is played by Warner Baxter. Baxter's strong mobile face, graceful build and power of silent expression have made him a popular figure in moving pictures.

Gloria Dubois, the other woman in the case, is played by Ruby Miller, famous in Europe as a leading Shakespearean actress with Sir Herbert Beerbohm Tree. Miss Miller, a red-haired, blue-eyed English beauty, though the star of many British films, makes her American screen debut in "Alimony." London critics have hailed her as England's Bernhardt, and according to studio reports, she has gone a long way in this picture to establish such a reputation in the United States. Clyde Fillmore plays Granville, the husband's scheming employer. Those who saw "The Devil's Pass Key," directed by Von Stroheim, are familiar with his masterful interpretation of a polished male factor, a part similar to that which he takes in "Alimony."

Coburn Granville's clerk, whose foolish wife has fallen head over heels in love with her husband's unscrupulous employer, is acted by William A. Carroll, best known for his eminent stage success as Karloff in "The Man on the Box" and his screen interpretation of the leading role Henry Drew in "Fifty Candles."

Carroll, a skilful character actor, has a difficult role to play, changing from a comedy vein during the early part of "Alimony" to a heavy dramatic tragedy role toward the end of the play.

Jackie Saunders, Alton Brown and Marshall Mayall complete the excellent cast of this latest F. B. O. offering.

ALLEGED KIDNAPPING.

CASE ADJOURNED.

Allegations of kidnapping two Chinese boys were made against a Chinese at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon. It was stated by the police that the man persuaded the boys to accompany him on the understanding that he would find them work. One of the boys escaped and \$30 ransom was paid for the other. The case was adjourned.

had to maintain an altitude of from 100 to 300 metres. The gasoline was exhausted and they had to land at Samsui.

A Japanese civilian aeroplane was leaving Kushimoto on Sunday afternoon to transport gasoline for the British fliers when it suddenly dropped from a height of 600 metres upon the town, damaging the boat, wings, and propeller. One of the aviators was slightly hurt.

FLYING TO KASUMIGAUARA.
A telegram reached Kushimoto from the Kasumigaura Aerodrome early yesterday morning announcing that a dense mist hangs over the Izu Peninsula. Squadron leader MacLaren nevertheless decided to start, carefully inspected his machine, and left town amid deafening cheers at 9:45 a.m. The aeroplane made a circuit over the town and then went out of sight, taking a course towards the north-east.

CHEFOO NOTES.

UNITED STATES FLEET'S VISIT.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

CHEFOO, July 11.
Since I last wrote, the United States Asiatic Fleet has arrived in port, and the town has consequently become more alive. The hotels, especially The Broadway, are in full swing and dances have been taking place very frequently at the Chefoo and Customs Clubs and the Broadway Hotel.

The Mission Council of the American Presbyterian Mission of Shantung have this year held their Annual Convention here. Dr. Chas. F. Johnson being Chairman for the session. The meetings were held at the Missionary Home, where most of the missionaries stayed. Among others who addressed the Convention was Rev. J. W. Lowrie, D.D., the Chairman of the China Council of the Presbyterian (North) Missions in China.

The American Southern Baptist Mission are now holding their Convention, the meetings of which are taking place in the C.I.M. Prayer Room.

A three days cricket match was played on the 21st and 22nd June, and finished on July 5, between the Chefoo Cricket Club and the C.I.M. Boys' School. Each side batted twice, the Cricket Club winning by 27 runs. On the 21st, the Cricket Club commenced their innings, and were all out for 107, of which Mr. Graham contributed 30, Mr. Grubb, 27, and Mr. Harrison 28. Hazeland and Gould both secured 3 wickets; Lyons, 2, and Vale and Burnett one each. When the School went into bat, Ford was run out with the score at 40 and soon afterwards Vale was brilliantly caught by Mr. Graham after having made a rapid 15. Mr. Duncan and Hazeland made a determined stand and carried the score to 58, when stumps were drawn. When the boys continued batting on the 22nd, Hazeland was soon out, having made 14. Burnett scored 8 rapidly before being beautifully bowled by Mr. Graham. Mr. Duncan was well caught by Mr. Lilley, with a score of 35 to his credit. The rest of the side were soon out, Gould 7 and Pote Hunt 6, being the only two who made anything like a stand. The side was all out for 103, four less than the Club's score. As usual Mr. Graham secured most of the wickets, taking 6. The Settlement followed on, and were just all out as time was called, having made 108, one run better than their first innings' score. Mr. Graham contributed to this amount a brilliant 54, before being caught by Herbert of Vale. Burnett's good bowling disposed of two of the Club's batsmen, Messrs. Towson and Douglas, with very low scores. Mr. Lilley was back in form again and made 24, before being caught by Vale. Hazeland secured three wickets, also Vale, while Moore and Lyons procured one each. Lyons' clean bowling Mr. Grubb during the first over of the innings. The School commenced their second innings on the 5th July, but apart from Burnett, 21; Hazeland, 21, not out, and Ford, 13, the School's batting was very feeble. Mr. Graham was if anything bowling better than usual and accounted for 8 wickets, for 32 runs.

On the evenings of the 26th and 30th June special cinematograph pictures of the Japanese earthquake were shown at the Chefoo Club under the patronage of the Japanese Consul. The entertainment was free, and on the first evening a large number of Chinese had been invited as well as the foreign community and the Hall was packed. Owing to a considerable number of foreigners being unable to see them the first evening a special show was very courteously arranged by the Japanese Consul for the 30th. After the pictures were over—and they were simply wonderful—the Japanese Consul entertained those present to light refreshments. After this pictures showing the opening of the new Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Building in Shanghai, were screened.

SHARE QUOTATIONS.

Messrs Joseph Gould & Co. kindly supply the following share quotations ruling on the Shanghai market this morning:—

Langkats 17½ Buyers.
Ewos 10¼ Buyers.
Shanghai Docks 100 Buyers.
New Engineering 6¼ Buyers.
Orientals 3½ Buyers.
Shanghai Cottons 56 Buyers.

ROXOR

FLOODS IN NORTH.

TIENTSIN IN DANGER.

(Reuter's Service.)

TIENTSIN, July 21.
Tientsin is again menaced by floods; owing to the flood waters fifteen miles west of the city now registering twenty-two feet. The danger is aggravated by the Chinese authorities refusing to cut the Pelyun-ho dyke. The volunteer corps was called out to-night to patrol the concessions and the dykes.

U.S. BASEBALL

LEAGUE RESULTS.

(Reuter's Service.)

NEW YORK, July 21.
The following are the latest results in the baseball leagues: NATIONAL LEAGUE.
St. Louis 2 Philadelphia 3
St. Louis 7 Philadelphia 4
Chicago 7 Boston 4
Cincinnati 5 New York 2
AMERICAN LEAGUE.
New York 10 Cleveland 4
New York 4 Cleveland 1
Washington 5 St. Louis 4

WHO'S WHO.

LATEST CHINA COAST CHANGES.

Mr. L. V. Rowe, from leave, has gone second officer, "Huichow." Mr. C. A. Elias, second officer, "Huichow," is on leave.

Mr. G. A. Evans, chief officer, "Fatsan," has gone chief officer, "Yunnan." Mr. J. T. Layton, chief officer, "Yunnan," has gone chief officer, "Fatsan."

Mr. W. Mackay, third engineer, "Nanning," has gone third engineer, "Ngankin."

Mr. E. McDiarmid, third engineer, "Ngankin," has gone third engineer, "Nanning."

Mr. W. Patterson, from reserve, has gone chief officer, "Sunning." Mr. R. Warren, chief officer, "Sunning," is on reserve.

Mr. J. S. G. Brown, chief officer, "Shansi," is on reserve.

Mr. D. R. Kilbee, from reserve, has gone chief officer, "Chaksang." Mr. A. B. Osmond, chief officer, "Chaksang," has gone chief officer, "Leesang."

Mr. M. Costello, chief officer, "Leesang," has gone chief officer, "Kwaisang."

Mr. J. M. Meikle, chief officer, "Suisang," has gone chief officer, "Chipsang." Mr. H. S. Hurley, chief officer, "Chipsang," is on reserve.

Mr. J. Turbyne, from reserve, has gone second officer, "Yuen-sang." Mr. G. Clark, acting second officer, "Yuen-sang," has gone third officer, same ship.

Mr. O. V. W. R. Basham, from reserve, has gone acting chief officer, "Luenho."

Mr. W. H. Watson, chief officer, "Luenho," has resigned. Mr. J. R. Middleton, second officer, "Tungwo," has gone second officer, "Tuckwo."

Mr. A. McN. Marshall, from reserve, has gone second engineer, "Luenho."

Mr. J. Colquhoun, second engineer, "Luenho," has gone sup' third engineer, "Lienshing."

Mr. R. Macintyre, third engineer, "Lienshing," has resigned.

Mr. W. Or Nicoll has been appointed sup' third engineer, "Tingsang." Mr. E. Dewar, sup' third engineer, "Tingsang."

Mr. C. E. Webb, from leave, has gone chief officer, "Yuen-sang."

Mr. J. Turbyne, chief officer, "Yuen-sang," is on reserve.

Mr. J. A. Thom, sup' third engineer, "Tingsang," has gone third engineer, "Suivo."

Mr. G. H. Madden, chief officer, "Suait," has resigned. Mr. E. V. Matthews, chief officer, "Lungshan," has gone chief officer, "Suait."

Captain S. Bell-Smith, from leave, has gone master, "Lungshan." Mr. E. Pringent, acting master, "Lungshan," has gone

chief officer, same ship.

Mr. T. Pritchard, second officer, "Honam," has gone acting chief officer, same ship. Mr. B. McK. Thompson, chief officer, "Honam," has resigned.

Mr. A. S. Johnston, from reserve, has gone chief officer, "Loksun."

Mr. A. Pompey, chief officer, "Loksun," is on leave.

Mr. C. P. Everingham, from reserve, has gone second officer, "Phonpenh."

Mr. H. Cornwell, from reserve, has gone chief officer, "Chungon." Mr. T. F. Owens, chief officer, "Chungon," has gone acting master, same ship.

Captain J. J. Lossius, of the "Chungon," is on reserve.

WEALTH DETECTOR.

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The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from FRIDAY the 1st to WEDNESDAY the 13th August (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors
L. S. GREENHILL,
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Hongkong, 22nd July, 1924.

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COMMERCE AND FINANCE.

COMPANY REPORT.

SHANGHAI DOCK AND ENGINEERING CO.

The Directors of the Shanghai Dock & Engineering Co., Ltd., have issued their report with statement of accounts made up to April 30 last.

The net profit for the year ended April 30, 1924, including the amount brought forward from last year, amounts to Tls. 647,456.81, after paying all charges and allowing for all known liabilities.

This amount the Directors recommend be dealt with as follows:—

Tls. 400,000.00
Dividend of Tls. 12.50 per share (12.50) 496,800.00
Add to Depreciation Account (including it up to Tls. 750,000.00) 52,000.00
And carry to New Account 88,656.81
Total 1,035,456.81

In accordance with Par. 48 of the Articles of Association two Directors, Mr. John Prentiss and Mr. H. W. Lester retire, but being eligible offer themselves for re-election.

The accounts have been audited by Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews who offer themselves for re-election.

EASTERN EXTENSION.

The Report of the Directors of the Eastern Extension Australasia & China Telegraph Co., Ltd., is as follows:—

The usual statements of account for the year ended 31st December, 1923, are submitted herewith.

The gross revenue amounted to £1,831,837.08, 2d. from which is deducted £671,334.17s. 1d. for the ordinary expenses, and £313,156.16s. 0d. for maintenance of cables, ships and special expenditure as shown on page 3 of the annexed accounts, leaving a balance of £847,346.74s. 11d.

After providing £200,083.15s. 5d. for income tax and corporation tax payable in England, and £30,000 for interest on the Mortgage Debenture Stock, there remains a balance of £617,263.59s. 5d., to which is added £282,552.18s. 10d. brought forward from the preceding account, making a total available balance of £900,215.78s. 5d.

From this balance the Directors have transferred £250,000 to the general reserve fund.

Four dividends of 2½ per cent. each have been paid amounting to £100,000, making a total distribution for the year 1923 of 10 per cent. Free of income tax. These appropriations absorb £650,000.00s. 0d., leaving a balance of £112,215.78s. 5d. to be carried forward to the next account.

Your Directors deeply regret to record the death, on the 20th April last, of their esteemed colleague Sir Albert J. Leppie Cappel, K.C.I.E., who had been a Director since May, 1913.

Sir Charles Stewart Addis, K.C.M.G., has joined the Board to fill the vacancy thus occasioned.

In accordance with the Articles of Association, Sir Charles Stewart Addis, K.C.M.G., and Mr. J. C. Denison-Pender, retire at the forthcoming meeting, and being eligible offer themselves for re-election.

The auditors, Messrs. De laite, Pender, Griffiths & Co., also retire, and offer themselves for re-election.

INDUSTRIAL FATIGUE.

The Industrial Fatigue Research Board is anxious now to secure the co-operation of industrial factories in applying practically some of the lessons arising out of its work during last year and of the investigations that are in progress. We have from time to time, says "Engineering," given an account of most of these, so far as they have been published in the Board's reports, and the personal contributions from investigators by which the latest report is accompanied are short enough—some of them also interesting enough—to be left to our readers to peruse in *extenso*.

The conclusion of this latest report calls, however, for more detailed consideration. It expresses the opinion that many of the results disclosed by its investigations have arrived at the stage at which *prima facie* they may be recommended for adoption in industry, but that no final recom-

mendation can be made till they have been tried in actual practice and adjusted in such manner as practical experience may indicate. For that purpose the Board suggests that as a preliminary step each important industry should set up a small committee, representative of employers and workmen, with control of some funds to be provided by the industry. This committee should examine the Board's results and recommendations, and, with such revision as technical criticism may suggest, should have them applied in the conditions of actual practice, with a view to ascertaining whether they are in fact efficient in such conditions, and to what extent, if any, they should be modified. Such a body could also consider periodically any analogous problems affecting workmen, including such proposals as the Board or the National Institute of Industrial Psychology might submit, and in this way keep both an informed judgment on the importance of the several problems, and complete control of the steps to be taken.

The purpose of this proposal is evidently, on the face of it, to give concrete expression to what is gleaned in the interests of industry, which the Board has been set up to promote, rather than to press the details of the scheme of remedies in preference to possible alternatives. Those who are familiar with what has been done in the study of industrial fatigue in other countries as well as in this will agree, unreservedly that, without the co-operation of the industries at some stage of the investigations little or nothing of practical value can be done. This will also be under no illusion as to the order of magnitude of what is at stake. If the busy manager of a power station has the choice of considering equally bent schemes for saving 50 per cent. on his oil bill or 5 per cent. on his coal, he will give preference to the coal scheme, leaving out of account the individual advantages—the improved fitness, contentment, and efficiency of the workers—of getting work done with less expense of energy or more work for the same expense, the financial gain in question, ensuring to the benefit of all concerned in the industry, is, at least, in the engineering trades, of an order of magnitude which is certainly worth consideration.

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FLOOD RELIEF.

APPEAL TO HONGKONG.

MR. WOOD INTERVIEWED.

The Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotewall, Hon. Mr. Chau Shiu-ki, Mr. Li Po-kwai (Chairman of the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce) and Mr. Yik Ki-chau (Vice-Chairman of the Tung Wah Hospital) interviewed the Secretary for Chinese Affairs yesterday with a view to securing the financial help of the Government in sending relief to the flood-affected places in Kwangtung.

The Chinese leaders explained to the Hon. Mr. A. E. Wood the seriousness of the situation and the urgency of help. Mr. Wood is quoted as having replied that while the Government is quite sympathetic with the Chinese community and will give whatever help is considered desirable, it is their intention to wait until more detailed particulars are received as to the conditions in the flooded places. In this connection a first-hand report from the representatives sent to Canton to discuss the relief plans with the Canton Volunteers will greatly help the Government in whatever action it may take.

Last night Messrs. Yik Ki-chau, Li Yau-chuen, Chow Pak-tin and Lai Man-wai left for Canton by the "Lung Shan" to help the Merchant Volunteers Corps in formulating relief plans. They expect to be back to-night or to-morrow.

At a meeting on Sunday at the Tung Wah Hospital it was stated by the Chairman that the commercial unions representing the flooded districts had not communicated with the Hospital, though they had been informed that rice for relief would be issued on application. Yesterday, however, applications were put in by two unions. It is intended to issue 150 bags of rice to them.

As in previous flood disasters a number of the more important Chinese societies have come forward with various suggestions of launching an effective drive for subscriptions. The Chung Sing Benevolent Society, the Confucius Society and the Lam Yung Dramatic Association have offered their services.

Representatives of the three organisations met at the Tung Wah Hospital last night to discuss details of the campaign.

WEAVERS.

Business is at present somewhat restricted, but there is considerable inquiry about which it is hoped will materialize in substantial orders.

Looms are busy on orders booked some time ago, and merchants are still pushing for their goods.

MERCHANTS.

Merchants are still busy with orders booked some time ago, and a moderate amount of new business has been received.

Dress linen shipments continue steadily, and orders for next season will be placed during July and August. Prices remain firm and no stocks of undesirable dress goods are available.

SHANGHAI MARKET.

It has been another dull week, relieved only by a much firmer tone in the piece goods auction rooms (though the indent business still is very poor) and some renewal of the demand for produce, writes the "N.C. Daily News." The tension, evidently, is not expected to have any particular effect on the markets here, as this is the off-season so far as dealings with the north are concerned.

Private business has been so very quiet that there is scarcely anything to say about the market, the conditions being exactly the same as they have been for some weeks past.

SANDAL WOOD OIL.

Under the new tariff now before the Japanese Diet a 100 per cent. duty will be imposed on this perfume, which is free from duty under the existing tariff, and the quotation will rise to Y30, as against Y16.50 current at present, says the "Japan Chronicle." A fair amount is in stock in Tokyo and the province, with some cargoes about, on the strength of which a rise by 100 per cent. is discredited in some quarters. But, according to the "Chugai," the stopping of sales has been decided on in some cases pending a more definite development of the situation. Another example of the tariff advancing prices is in card, which has advanced by Y15 to Y85.

PERSIAN OUTRAGE.

DETAILS OF MURDER.

(Reuter's Service.)

Teheran, July 21.
The murder of Mr. Imbrie, the American Consul, occurred while he was driving with an American friend, Mr. Seymour, in the neighbourhood of a fountain revered by masses of Persians daily, and which was then surrounded by worshippers. The Americans alighted from their carriage a short distance off. The Consul held up a camera in order to photograph the scene. The crowd objected and surged towards the Americans who hastily entered the carriage and drove off.

The crowd followed and shouted imprecations, accusing the Americans of being "bahais," a non-Mahomedan religious sect, and of poisoning the waters of the fountain.

The uproar spread. The carriage was overtaken by a motor cyclist and forced to stop. Soldiers joined the crowd, who dragged out the Americans from the carriage. Mr. Imbrie defended himself with his walking stick until he was hit in the head with a sword. He attempted to rise but was knocked down by a huge stone, which broke his jaw.

Mr. Seymour was freely struck and dragged to the Cassock parade ground. A police detachment managed to get the injured men into a motor car and conveyed them to the police hospital. The crowd followed and broke into the building, smashing doors and windows. There they fatally assaulted the Consul. Some hopes are entertained that Mr. Seymour will recover.

TENSION.

HINDU AND MOSLEM.

(Reuter's Service.)

Delhi, July 21.
Although communal tension is slowly easing, the disturbed conditions have not yet subsided. Sporadic acts of individual violence and propagation of malicious rumours serve to embitter the feeling of the excited populace. The authorities have taken firm measures. The shops last night began to reopen, but during the night a Hindu was stabbed to death and another was brutally assaulted, in consequence of which the majority of the shops have been closed again.

MURDER PLOT.

PLAN TO ASSASSINATE PRINCE TOKUGAWA.

Suspect Under Arrest.

By order of the Metropolitan Police Board a young man of 20, named S. Sato, was arrested at the Tameiken restaurant in Shiba, Tokyo, on Wednesday (July 11). When arrested he was carrying a revolver and a dagger. He is reported to have had designs on the life of Prince Tokugawa Iyesato, President of the House of Peers. He declares he is a member of the Suishisha (the party formed by the eta class), but his statement is doubted. He arrived in Tokyo from Fukuoka on June 28, and was staying at the Eirajukan, a boarding house in Fukagawa, Tokyo. He had been seen loitering about near the Diet buildings for some days, and enquiries made by the Police led to the discovery of the plot mentioned.

Sato was secretary to Mr. Matsumoto Juichiro, leader of the Suishisha in Fukuoka prefecture, who not long since called at the mansion of Prince Tokugawa and presented a request to the Prince to surrender his court rank and Peerage. Sato is reported to have become highly excited on learning of his chief's abortive mission and to have made up his mind to assassinate the Prince. The Police are looking for Sato Harutaro, 25 years of age, brother of the accused, and several others who are suspected of being his accomplices. Meanwhile the mansion of Prince Tokugawa in Sendagaya, a suburb of Tokyo, is being guarded by detectives and Police.

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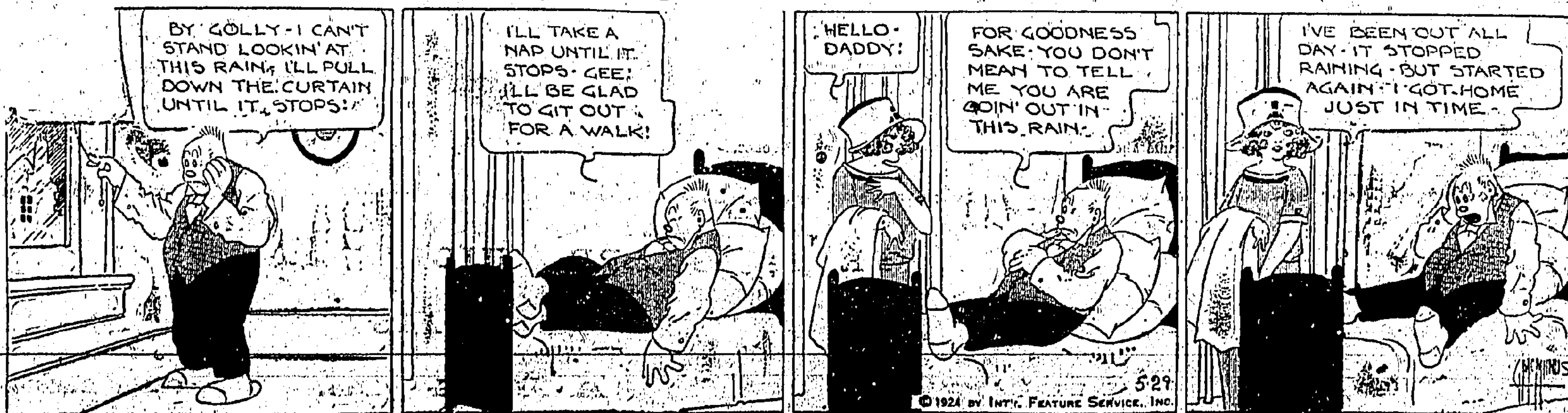
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TOKYO, July 21.

The N.Y.K. coasting steamer "Matsuyama Maru," which left Keelung on the 9th instant, sank on the 11th instant West of Goto Islands.

There were 57 people on board, and all were lost except one stoker, who existed on a raft for a week, without food or water, until picked up by a trawler.

MAGISTRATE'S PLAIN.

"CAN HE RECOVER MY UMBRELLA?"

It appears that even magistrates are not immune from thefts of their personal property from a remark made at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court this morning by Mr. E. W. Hamilton, the Magistrate. A Chinese constable had been the means of recovering a stolen umbrella and Mr. Hamilton plaintively remarked that perhaps he could recover an umbrella belonging to him which had been stolen from the club.

The umbrella concerned in the case before him had been stolen from a shop in Haplong Street and belonged to the woman proprietor. The constable saw one of the defendants (two boys) trying to pawn an umbrella and becoming suspicious stopped him and when the woman arrived on the scene she identified it as her property. One of the boys, who had been convicted before, was sentenced to 3 months' hard labour and the other to 6 weeks.

LAST OF "THE SHEIK."

Hongkong cinema goes have their last opportunity to-day of seeing Paramount's wonderful picture "The Sheik" which has been drawing "capacity houses" at the Coronet Theatre for the last six days. "The Sheik" is almost unnecessary to mention at this stage, is a very notable production alike for its brilliant acting, its splendid staging and its skilful screening. Rudolph Valentino and Agnes Ayres are the stars.

SUGAR KING'S ESTATE.

According to the Handelsblad of Semarang, the estate of the late Mr. Oei Tiong Ham is estimated at about 116 million guilders. This includes sugar plantations valued at 40 million guilders. Capital invested in mortgages in Singapore is estimated at 35 million guilders, deposits in England at 12 million guilders and cash 20 million guilders.

SHORT SESSIONS.

Jurymen summoned to attend the Criminal Sessions received a pleasant surprise on arrival at Court this morning when informed that their services would not be required. There were nine cases on the list, but all were disposed of by the Chief Justice and the Puisne Judge yesterday.

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DEPARTURES.

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DISBURSEMENTS' NOTICE.

Cargo arrived per s.s. "Benavon" remaining undelivered after July 25, will be subject to reek Agents—Gibb Livingston & Co., Ltd.
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MOVEMENT OF STEAMERS.

The B.F. s.s. "Leomedon" arrived at London on July 19.
The B.F. s.s. "Eltan" arrived Manila from New York on July 8 and is due at this port to-day.